

THE EDITOR'S MAIL BAG

A REPUBLICAN SPEAKS.

Thinks Loyalty and Hard Work Should be Recognized—Favors Edward E. Cooper for a Job—He Deserves It—Speaks for Many Afro-Americans.

If loyalty and hard work is worth anything to the republican party I fail to see how President McKinley and Senator Hanna can see their way clear not to invite Mr. Edward E. Cooper, president and manager of The Colored American, to step up to the "pie counter" and have anything he wants. The Colored American is the leading colored journal in the United States, and there is no doubt that thousands of the colored voters were kept in the republican ranks through its earnest appeal to them. Hons. George H. White John C. Dancy, Judson W. Lyons, P. B. S. Pinchback, and others took the stump in behalf of the G. O. P., but none of them spoke, once every week to the thousands of voters that Mr. Cooper did through his great paper.

All of the above named true and tried republicans have done great work and should be cared for by this administration, but none are more deserving than Mr. Edward E. Cooper. The many readers of The Colored American would be glad to hear in the near future that Mr. Cooper's faithfulness to the republican party have been recognized by the administration, and that he has been hauled up before the President and sentenced to hold down a nice, fat job for the next four years. The administration cannot well afford to ignore such a man as Mr. Cooper. He is a power among the Afro-Americans, and should be cared for. "A Republican."

Carlo, Ill. 3rd, '00.

Please find inclosed \$1.50 and continue your paper to my address.

A. A. M.

SEND! SEND!!

Baraboo, Wis., Oct., 24—Editor The Colored American—You will find inclosed 60 cts. for which you can send me the paper 3 months.

A. L. T.

CONTINUE THE PAPER.

Greenville, S. C., Nov. 15.

Editor Colored American—Enclosed please find \$1.50 on my subscription to The Colored American. Please continue the paper.

L. F. G.

EXCELLENT.

Thomasville, Ga., Nov. 14. Dear Mr. Editor—The cut and sketch were excellent. May your paper live long to bless humanity. Believe me to be yours,

H. H. T.

A PLEASURE.

Winnemucca, Nevada, Nov. 1st. Manager Colored American—Enclosed order for \$2 subscription to November 1st, 1901. I think it a pleasure for me to send this money. Wish you success.

J. A. R.

ENTER MY NAME.

Altamaha, Ga., Oct., 29. The Colored American: You will please find inclosed 60 cts., for which you will please enter my name on your subscription list for three months.

Yours very truly,
J. W. L.

WILL KEEP UP.

Arkansas City, Ark., Oct. 21.—Dear Sir:—Find inclosed 50 cts. for which you may send The Colored American for three months. Will keep up regularly.

Yours very truly,
O. B. J.

MACK & TEDDY.

Detroit, Nov. 7. Are we in it? Well I guess! Mack and Teddy, Yee! Yee!! Yes!!! 'Tis November, Just remember We've pressed the button, They'll do the rest. Ames elected to the legislature.

Yours, R. P.

FROM CUBA.

Manzillo, Cuba, Nov. 8.

The Colored American, Sir—Please find enclosed two dollars for the renewal of the paper for the library. Please send to the usual address.

Wm. T. Anderson,
Chaplain 10th U. S. Cavalry.

NO INCONVENIENCE.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 6., The Colored American Pub., Co.—Inclosed please find two dollars, for which send me your paper for one year, ending August 8, 1901. Hoping my delay in remitting has caused you no inconvenience,

I am gratefully yours R. D. J.

INVALUABLE.

Institute, W. Va. Editor Colored American: Sir—Please find enclosed a check for \$4, my subscription to The Colored American. I need not say that your paper is invaluable, a paid-up subscription is the best proof of my appreciation of its worth.

Yours respectfully, J. McH. J.

BOUGHT TO BE CARED FOR.

Beaufort, S. C., Nov. 8rd. Dear Sir—Enclosed you will find five dollars for copies of your paper sent me some time ago. I am pleased with your paper and believe that you have done good work for the party and you and your paper should be cared for by the party after the election.

I am truly yours, R. S.

LONG LIVE THE COLORED AMERICAN.

Fort Scott, Kans., Nov. 1.—The Colored American—Please find inclosed herewith \$2.00, the amount of my subscription to The Colored American and allow me to congratulate you on your very excellent paper. It is indeed what it purports to be—the champion of our people. Long live The Colored American.

Yours truly,
G. W. F.

BY EVERY COLORED CITIZEN.

Simsboro, La. Oct. 29.

Editor Colored American—Having chanced to see a copy of your valuable paper (The Colored American) I can but say that it is an up to-date newsy journal and should be read by every colored American citizen. Find enclosed \$1.00 post office money order for which please accept me as a regular subscriber to your paper.

M. B. B.

BEST PUBLISHED.

Cairo, Ill.

The Colored American, Dear Sir—I have been a reader of your valuable

paper for some time past. Allow me to say that I never tire of reading your sheet. I desire to say that you have the very best paper published in the interest of the Afro American race. Your stand in the recent campaign have given me great satisfaction and have aided much in fastening the great victory of the late contest which means death to silverism, Bryanism and Tillmanism.

TRUTH TOO.

Bluefield, W. Va.

Colored American—Find inclosed post office money order for \$1.10 for renewal of my subscription to The Colored American. I had hoped to have sent you a list of subscribers from this place, but all of our leaders (?) while they say that the paper is a good one they can't subscribe just now. I never fail to speak a good word for the paper at all times. Wishing you continued success in the production of the greatest Negro Journal in the land. I am yours for success,

T. H. H.

THE RESULT.

Louisiana, Mo., Nov. 13. Editor Colored American—The battle has been fought and the victory won; the Afro-American played no inconsiderable part in the great achievement, in fact Mr. Hanna and President McKinley were made to see and appreciate the necessity and invaluable service of the great Negro leaders as was shown by the manner in which J. E. Bruce and Anderson of New York, and C. F. Adams of Illinois, Myers of Ohio, and The Colored American of Washington was not only consulted but whose advice was acted upon. I believe that the Afro-American will be a more important factor in politics and in shaping the policies of the republican party. They will be more eagerly sought and advised with hereafter by our white party leaders. Now let the leaders and the great Negro newspapers take up the unconstitutional disfranchisement of the Negro in the Southern States; the new reapportionment of Congressional representation under the last census affords us a splendid opportunity to agitate and discuss this all important and vital question. Why don't The Colored American take the lead in this matter? There is no doubt that such journals as The Colored American, New York Age, Richmond Planet, Indianapolis Freeman and Chicago Appeal have power and influence with our great party leaders and what these journals and others would say would be read and have powerful effect in fighting this infamous and outrages wrong.

C. P. C.

I am told that U. S. Senator B. K. Bruce was the first Negro to serve in that capacity. Is that true?—I. J. S., Kokomo, Ind.

No. Hon. Hiram R. Revels, who is now a Presiding Elder of the M. E. Church, was the first Negro to serve as United States Senator. He was elected to fill the unexpired term of Jefferson Davis of Mississippi, who became President of the Confederacy. This was in 1872. Senator Bruce was elected in 1875 and served until 1881, the full term. Mr. Revels only served a year.

Where does the Afro-American Council hold its next meeting?—P. P. D., Chambersburg, Pa.

In Philadelphia, Pa.

How many Bishops has the C. M. E. Church?—J. T. S., Cato, Ohio.

Five. Bishops Beebe, Holsey, Lane, Williams and Cottrell.

How old is Bocker T. Washington, and where was he born?—L. R. C. Boston, Mass.

Mr. Washington does not know the exact date of his birth, but he was born in 1859 or '60, near Malden, West Virginia, making him now 42 or 43 years old.

Where is Hon. J. R. Lynch of Mississippi?—J. R. L., Springfield, Ill.

Mr. Lynch is now a paymaster in the United States Army, with the rank of Major. He is stationed in Cuba.

Is the author of "Stringtown on the Pike," a colored man?—C. W. J., Lexington, Ky.

No.

Can any of our exchanges inform us of the whereabouts of Rev. Liston D. Bass, D. D., manager, Afro-Union Teachers Agencies? Do us the kindness.—Rock Hill, (S. C.) Messenger.

There are a good many others who would like to know the same thing, Mr. Editor. Rev. Bass, "D. D.," is a bird, which sweeps the whole universe, adapting himself to every clime. His itinerary extends over all the earth. The postal authorities in Washington would also like to know the whereabouts of "Rev." Bass.

Is Rev. M. C. B. Mason, the secretary or assistant secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society?—G. E. J., New Orleans, La.

Rev. Mason is the Secretary and was elected by the last General Conference of the M. E. Church. In 1896, he was elected Assistant Secretary and served until 1900.

Which is the best equipped Negro school of the race?—E. E. A., West Newton, Mass.

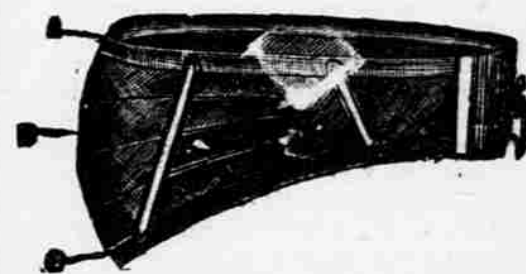
That honor in all probabilities falls to the State College of North Carolina, which has the honor of having the finest buildings, and shops, and equipment of any colored school in the country.

Do you know the whereabouts of one Prof. Jaques, the great crayon artist?—L. M. J., Houston, Texas.

We saw the Professor in the post office in Washington, a few days since, purchasing money orders to send somewhere. We first heard of him as Bill Jacks in Arkansas. Then a short time afterwards he turned up in Dallas, Texas, as W. O. Jacks. He then took in the Crescent City of the South as Prof. W. C. Jaques. Under this name he has been going the rounds since. He may change the name or he might have changed it already. But in the language of a Washington detective, he is a "smooth citizen."

Miss Iola Rivers Neale of the Census Office spent the week in Baltimore visiting her relatives, Dr. and Mrs. Rivers. Miss Neale is now domiciled at her new residence 645 South Carolina ave. s. e., where she will be pleased to see her many friends.

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